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POLICE AND MOB IN FIERCE FIGHT AT BICYCLE RACE

Disgraceful Scene Follows Expose of Alleged Fraud in Madison Square Garden; Men and Women Fighting Like Demons.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The police today raided Madison Square Garden following the expose of fraud in the six-day bicycle race being held there.

On being charged by the police the crowds which had infested the garden continuously during the week became a wild, fighting mob. In the battle waged between the police reserves from many stations and the mob many persons were injured, the police applying their long nightsticks freely, and the frenzied crowd hurling beer glasses, scuttles, and seats. Policemen and civilians were beaten down; clubs and revolvers were used as weapons.

Women Aid in Riot.

Many women, mostly the poor creatures from the underworld, were there, and they joined in the frightful scenes of rioting, fighting as viciously as did the men.

Heavy beer glasses by thousands, remnants of the revels which have marked every day every night, every hour of the race—were hurled across the arena, booths were knocked over, railings torn down, the saucer-shaped track invaded, and there was only the poorest attempt at keeping up the race. As the battle between the mob and the police continued, calls were sent for more reserves, but the crowds, which had been in the garden all night—and hundreds there all week—fought desperately, and for a time it seemed that a regiment of soldiers would be needed to check the disorder.

Protest Against Fraud.

The rioting was a mighty protest against the whole fraud of the week in Madison Square Garden. The management started the battle by calling in fifty policemen to rout the tramps, vagrants, and perhaps criminals who had not been out since.

Strong Alaska Lobby To Fight for Monopoly

The Alaska lobby in Congress is going to be bigger, more pervasive, and more determined this winter than ever before—which is saying a good deal. The committees on Territories in both houses have been getting some intimations of the earnestness with which the conflicting interests are going to struggle for the advantage in the great new Northwestern empire.

The fight on Judge Wickersham's confirmation for Federal judge came first perhaps in general interest, because it has been in progress so long and has been pressed with such vigor on both sides. But the story goes now that bigger even than this is the controversy or rather series of controversies over railroad concession in the territory. The lobbying bill to lend the Government credit to certain railroad projects,

HINTED AT DEATH; LEAPED INTO SEA

Suicide in Midocean Predicted He Would Not See Christmas.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—They had been talking about Christmas about a week ago tonight in the steerage of the *Cunarder Lucania*, which got in today from Liverpool. "Well, I don't expect to see another Christmas," said Michael Quigley, one of the passengers. At dawn the next morning Quigley got out of his bunk, dressed himself and went out on deck. A sailor saw him jump into the sea. Captain Wait had first officer Reader and a boat's crew row about for half an hour while the ship halted, but nothing was seen of the man.

There was a mystery about Quigley, who is believed to have taken passage under an assumed name. He was a good looking chap, and his clothing was excellent. He had no baggage, and was the last passenger to come aboard. Two thousand, five hundred, and ninety-two sacks of Christmas mail came over on the *Lucania*.

UNWRITTEN LAW AS DEFENSE FOR MRS. BRADLEY

Attorneys for Slayer of Former Senator Brown Have No Other Course.

PRISONER DECLINES RECEIVING VISITORS

Gradually She Is Becoming Accustomed to Her Surroundings and Eats and Sleeps Well.

The "unwritten law" as a defense for murder will be given its greatest test when Mrs. Anna M. Bradley is called to the bar of justice to answer for the slaying of former Senator Arthur Brown. No definite plans have been made, however, and her attorneys, George Hoover and Robert Wells, will fight the Government's efforts to have her life forfeited for the killing of the statesman, and from statements made to them by her they have no other course to pursue.

Mrs. Bradley admits the shooting. She says she brought the revolver with which she took Senator Brown's life, from Salt Lake City. The woman claims she carried the revolver for her own protection while traveling as much as for any other reason. Her memory as to what happened in Senator Brown's room in the Raleigh Hotel a week ago today is hazy.

Says Her Mind Is Blank.

She does not remember half that was said, so she claims, and had insisted to her attorneys for an entire week that she remembers firing but one shot, and has no recollection of pulling the trigger. She says "everything seemed black, cold and swimming, and I don't know what happened. Senator Brown fell toward me with a lurch and slid to the floor. I then realized that he was injured and found a smoking revolver in my hand. I did not know where he was struck, and asked him where he was hurt. In a few moments several persons rushed into the room and all was confusion. Regrets, anguish, splitting headaches and remorse followed."

At the request over Senator Brown's body Detective Burlingame, who took charge of the revolver, stated that two shots were fired and as many empty shells were held by the police as evidence. Mrs. Bradley, who had been sitting with her chin resting on her fur collar, shook her head in contradiction of the detective's statement. When Josephine Kidwell testified that she heard two reports of a revolver she was asked by Attorney Hoover if she was positive of that fact, she replied in the affirmative.

For Conference With Mrs. Adams. Counsel for the defense will endeavor to have a conference with Mrs. Annie Adams, who admits that she was the cause of the shooting, although innocently. Mr. Hoover says Mrs. Adams has facts at her command which would be invaluable to Mrs. Bradley at the time of the trial, and they will approach her on the subject of disclosing to them any information that would be helpful to their client.

If necessary, one of the firm will probably go to New York city to talk over the case with the actress.

Mrs. Adams seems charitably inclined toward Mrs. Bradley, and has much sympathy for her. It is believed, in view of her feelings for the woman, that she will assist the attorney. At the jail it is said Mrs. Bradley is being made as comfortable as possible and is given the same attention that is given to the prisoners. She is treated very much like other prisoners, but nothing she desires or wants is denied her. "I wish because of my weakened condition," she wants but little, save quiet and rest.

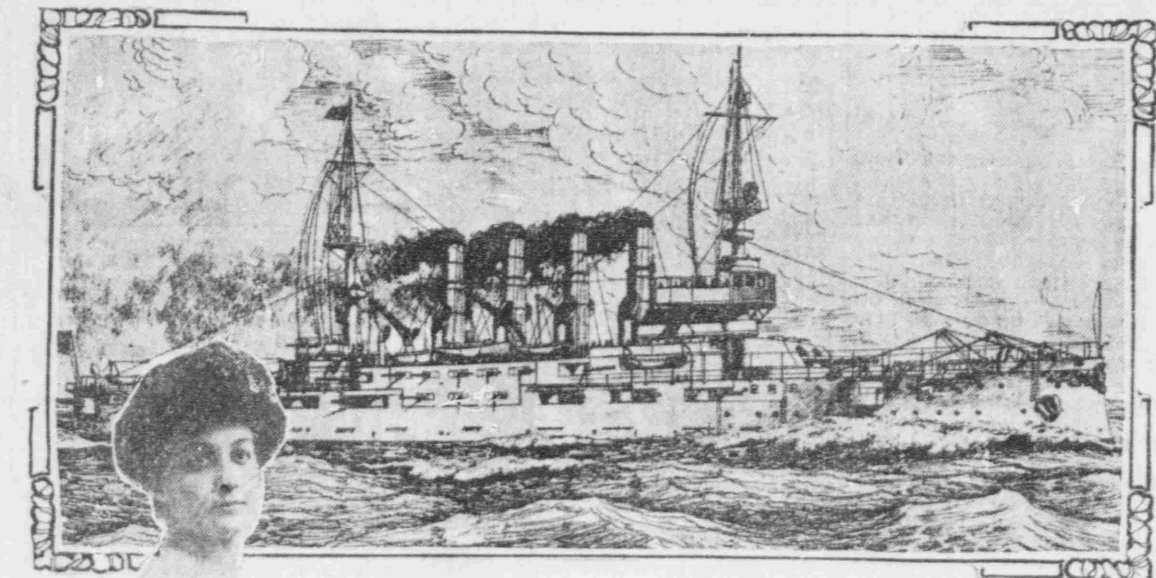
Special Meals for Prisoner. Arrangements have been made for Mrs. Bradley to be served with meals different from those given the other prisoners. Because of her weakened condition she has been given lighter food than the other prisoners, but this is in her normal state of health. Then her meals will be specially cooked, the expense being borne by her attorneys, who have already done much for her comfort and accomplished a great deal toward quieting and soothing her.

Some comment was heard today regarding Mrs. Bradley having kissed Senator Brown's pallid lips in the morgue before going to jail. Just as she was about to be taken to the cell she saw him before he is buried. "I would like to see him before he is buried," she was made of the morgue master, and he granted it. Mrs. Bradley remained in the room but a few seconds. She looked over, kissed her victim, took a last look at the body, and hurried out, sobbing like a child.

Mrs. Annie Adams, fiancée of Senator Brown, who was to have linked her fate and fortune with him at the beginning of the New Year and had planned a surprise for her daughter, Maude Adams, the actress, and the Brown children, stood for three minutes gazing at the body as it lay in the casket in Ship-

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Montana's Maiden Plunge, Virginia Girl As Sponsor



ARMORED CRUISER MONTANA.



MISS MINNIE CONRAD,
Who Christened the Montana at Newport News Today.

New Cruiser Launched at Newport News

Sister Ship to the North Carolina, Tennessee, and Washington.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Dec. 15.—The new armored cruiser *Montana*, a sister ship of the *North Carolina*, which was launched here October 6, was put overboard this morning at 8:30 o'clock at the yard of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company. Owing to the fact that the hour set for the launching by the Navy Department was 10 o'clock, the ship was launched at 8:30 o'clock. The officials of the shipyard entered the yard of the shipyard at 8:30 o'clock. The officials of the shipyard entered the yard of the shipyard at 8:30 o'clock.

Governor Toole Not Present. Governor Toole, of the State after which the cruiser was named, was unable to be present, owing to other engagements, and he was represented at the launching by former Congressman Martin Maginnis, who represented Montana in the House of Representatives for three terms.

The sponsor's party, including her parents, several other relatives and her maid of honor, arrived in the city last evening from Washington, where they spent several days prior to coming here. They repaired to Hotel Warwick, where they met officials of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company. The Navy Department was represented on the christening stand by officers from Washington and from the navy yard on this station, as well as the corps of naval officers who are permanently stationed at the shipyard. The officials of the shipyard entertained a number of guests from nearby and distant cities, and the launching platform was well filled when the sponsor's party reached the yard in 8 o'clock this morning.

On the Christening Boat. The platform and the ship, towering high in the air and presenting a decidedly formidable appearance as it rested on the ways, had been decorated freely with flags and bunting for the occasion.

Miss Conrad and her party took positions in the christening booth, which had been built on the edge of the stand, close to the steel prow of the monster vessel. A force of picked workmen had been at work for some time removing the shores from under the ship's sides, and at a given signal they began driving home the wedges that raised the cradle and every wedge was raised a few inches. When this work was completed and the ship was ready for the christening, the sponsor's party, gave the order and two employees began to

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Compromise Measure May End France's War Against the Catholics

Parliament to Consider Tonight Bill Aimed to Preserve State's Rights and Yet Grant Religious Liberty.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—At a council of ministers today it was decided to submit a bill to parliament, while carrying out all the provisions of the church and state separation law, would enable Catholics to worship in their churches.

While no intimation has been made as to the form of this bill, it is said on reliable authority that the ministers are hoping to send the bill to the chamber of deputies tonight.

Yields Only to Force.

The prefect of Bordeaux has notified Cardinal Lecot to leave the archiepiscopal church within eight days. The bishop of Arras was expelled from his palace last evening, after he had read a protest, in which he declared that he yielded only to force.

After the departure of the bishop the authorities began the expulsion of the inmates of the great seminary of Arras. They were obliged to demolish the doors, which had been barricaded with trees, benches, and mattresses. Finally the seminarians were expelled, after they had made a protest similar to that of the bishop.

Laymen Cannot Act.

The *Eclair* today says official denial was made at the archbishopric of the report circulated last night that at a consultation of prelates held yesterday it was decided that declarations for

churches, to permit holding religious services could be made by laymen.

This statement was hailed as offering a means of settling the disputes between church and state.

Bishop Expelled, Cardinal Warned; Police Use Force

PARIS, Dec. 15.—Today the police are taking steps to oust church officials and prelates from the bishoprics, seminaries, and other church buildings. Cardinal Lecot was notified by the prefect of Bordeaux to leave the archiepiscopal palace within eight days. The bishop of Arras was expelled from his palace last night, after protesting that he yielded only to force. Immediately following his expulsion the police drove out the inmates of the great seminary of Arras. It was necessary to break in the doors, and the seminarians had barricaded themselves inside. They were finally expelled.

The cabinet at its meeting determined on its course in regard to expelling prelates who resist the law. It was decided after considerable argument only to regard bishops as foreign functionaries open to expulsion.

MEXICO TO SEND ENRIQUE C. CREEL AS AMBASSADOR

New Representative to Come by First of Year to Fill Vacancy.

Official announcement of the appointment of Enrique C. Creel as Mexican ambassador to the United States came last night in a cablegram from his government to Senator Dávalos, charge d'affaires of the Mexican embassy in this city. The new ambassador is expected to arrive in Washington by the first of the year, to take up his duties by the time Congress convenes after the Christmas recess.

Some time ago it was rumored that Mr. Creel would be sent to Washington, but the appointment was made only yesterday. The resignation of Senator Casasus, which was made compulsory because of ill health, will become effective at the time the new diplomat arrives.

Senator Casasus, who arrived in Washington only a year ago last November, last spring traveled in Europe, in the hope of regaining his health. In August he offered his resignation.

Mr. Creel is of American descent, and is one of the wealthiest and most prominent commercial and financial men in Mexico. A few years ago he succeeded his father-in-law, General Darras, as governor of the State of Chihuahua, the latter having been elected to the office several terms.

Mr. Creel is president of the Central Bank of Mexico, which is recognized as the largest financial institution in that country, it having a capitalization of \$2,000,000, and is interested in other important banks.

The Diplomatic Service will be entirely new to Mr. Creel, except for the important part he took as chairman of the Mexican commission to the international monetary conference a few years ago.

CURTIS CLEARED OF THE MURDER OF DONA GILMAN

New Phase in Dayton Case May Result in Important Arrests.

DAYTON, Ohio, Dec. 15.—David Curtis, the man arrested and held on his own confession that he was the slayer of Dona Gilman, the young Dayton belle murdered and assaulted here on the night of November 29, was dismissed from custody this afternoon. The authorities place no credence in his "confession."

In the face of apparently conclusive evidence furnished today by Dr. Hochwalt, a chemist, that the girl was a victim of an assault, the dismissal of Curtis came as a surprise.

The authorities admit that their investigation has taken an entirely new turn, and intimate that further developments of a most sensational character probably will result in the next few hours.

The report of Dr. Hochwalt will furnish one of the strongest bits of evidence in the case and will absolutely quiet the multiple rumors which have been floating around.

LAW SCHOOL TO DEBATE. The weekly debate of the National Law School will be held at 7:30 o'clock tonight at the school building, in Thirteenth, between H and I streets.

The subject for tonight's debate is: "Resolved, That the Federal Government should control the formation and operation of corporations engaged in interstate commerce." Messrs. Edwin Hawkins and Bevenson will uphold the negative.

INCREASED PAY MAY BE URGED BY PRESIDENT

Will Probably Send Special Message to Congress in Behalf of Government Employees.

ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AT PRESENT SESSION

While Some Opposition Is Expected Yet Friends Are Confident of Success.

That the time has come when, in simple justice, the salaries of Government employees in Washington should be materially increased, is the belief of a large element in Congress.

Not only has this opinion been expressed to The Times in conversation, but already practical steps have been taken to secure legislation to give the Government clerks pay commensurate with their work and adequate to cope with the constantly ascending cost of living in the National Capital.

A bill was introduced in the House yesterday afternoon by Representative Jones of Washington, to increase 20 per cent the pay of Government employees in this city. Colonel Livingston of Georgia, the ranking Democrat on the House Committee on Appropriations, will support the Jones bill if he does not introduce one of his own giving the same 20 per cent increase to the clerks.

Advocated by President. But according to statements that have been made by several prominent members of the House, recently the clerks have an advocate in the White House. It has been said with regular insistence the last few days that the President will send to Congress within the next few weeks a special message advocating bigger salaries for the Government clerks. In this message, it is claimed, he will give figures to demonstrate how the cost of living has increased in Washington in recent years, and will submit to Congress that it is only fair to give the clerks opportunity to meet the additional expenses.

Encouragement for the clerks is to be found in the growing sentiment in both the House and the Senate for larger pay for all people who serve the Government. Only yesterday afternoon the subject was voted to add \$4,000 to the annual salary of the Vice President, the Speaker of the House, and the members of the President's Cabinet. The proposition to increase the pay for Senators and Representatives from \$5,000 to \$7,500 per year was lost last night.

Such action would have been impossible even so recently as the last session of Congress, and the big element in the House now favoring increased pay all along the line is proof of the fact that the legislators, to whom are intrusted the fortunes of the nation, are awaking to the fact that higher pay is what is needed and deserved by the vast army of Government employees in this city.

May Be Some Opposition. While it is possible, and even probable, that the so-called "economy party" in the House, of which Chairman Tawney, of the Appropriations Committee, is a conspicuous member, may defeat the widespread demand for higher salaries for the clerks, the session, anyone familiar with the sudden change in Congressional sentiment on the subject can see that the bigger pay will be voted into a reality within the very near future.

There are many who contend that the Jones bill, making the 20 per cent increase, will, if properly managed on the floor, go through before this session ends. Last session the House and Senate increased the pay of the District school teachers. It may well be that the arguments which helped to drive that legislation through Congress will get behind the Jones bill and push it to a successful issue.

The effect of a Presidential message on Congress is always tremendous, when that message comes from Theodore Roosevelt. This is particularly true because the President, when interested in a proposition, does not rest on his oars idly after writing the message. He lets his friends in the House and Senate know what he wants done, and the information is conveyed to them so that they pay heed.

Will Help Immediate Action.

If, as has been frequently and emphatically stated by Congressmen, the President intends to send the higher pay message to the House and Senate, it is reasonable to suppose that it will be the last blow needed to shove the Jones bill, or a similar measure, through Congress. That the President will send the message can be believed, for Congressmen are not prone to impute to the President policies which he himself has not avowed.

For the increased cost of living, it is testified to by Senators, Representatives, and all people who live in Washington.

\$1.25 to Baltimore and Return via Pennsylvania Railroad, every Saturday and Sunday. All regular trains except the "Congressional Limited." Tickets good to return until Sunday night. —Adv.

A Poet-Judge (Joaquin Miller), a Lawyer (Mrs. Ellen Spencer Mussey),
And Mrs. John A. Logan Discuss the "Unwritten Law" in Sunday's Times